

REMARKS

Claims 9-12 and 14-29 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-8 and 13 are canceled, the specification is amended, and new claims 14-29 are added.

Applicants have filed the original specification and claims from parent Application No. 08/270,472. Applicants are also filing a Substitute Specification along with a marked up copy of the original application to show the changes made to the original application. The marked up copy is entitled "Substitute Specification With Markings". The Substitute Specification is entitled "Substitute Specification Without Markings". No new matter is added.

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 based on a chain of applications including U.S. Patent Applications 09/893,980, 08/838,259 and 08/270,472. The Information Disclosure Statement filed with this application lists all the references cited or submitted in each of these parent applications.

Applicants request an early and favorable action on the merits.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.33045CC3) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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